



[OMB Control No. 2900-0036]

Agency Information Collection Activity under OMB Review: Statement of Disappearance

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0036."

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 38 U.S.C. 108.

Title: Statement of Disappearance (VA Form 21P-1775).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0036.

Type of Review: Extension currently approved collection.

Abstract: The major use of the form is used to gather the necessary information to determine if a decision of presumptive death can be made for benefit payment purposes. 38 U.S.C. 108 requires a formal "presumption of death" when a veteran has been missing for seven years. It would be impossible to administer the survivor benefits program without this collection of information. This is an extension only, no substantive changes.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The ***Federal Register*** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 87 FR 87 on May 5, 2022, page 26804.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 28 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 2.75 hours.

Frequency of Response: Once.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10.

By direction of the Secretary.

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